

NO HITTING ZONE

Tips for Adults

- 1. STOP! Spanking your child will not help.
- 2. Take a deep breath and remember you are the adult.
- 3. Count to 20, or better yet, 50.
- 4. Think about why you are feeling so angry.
- 5. Splash cold water on your face.
- 6. REMEMBER: Hitting hurts.
- 7. Ask yourself if your child is really misbehaving or is the child simply hungry or overdue for a nap?
- 8. If the child is misbehaving, try a timeout, one minute for each year of the child's age.
- 9. Be clear and fair about rules. Make sure your child knows what you want him/her to do.
- 10. REMEMBER: Babies are too young to be punished for any reason.

